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EXPORT OF ONION
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to export onion during 2001-2002 financial year;

(b) if so, the States from which onion is being exported; and

(c) the quantum of onion proposed to be exported and the export price fixed therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

a) : Export of onion is proposed to be allowed during the financial year 2001-2002 also.

b) : State-wise export statistics is not maintained. However, from available information the major states from which onion is being exported include Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Bihar and West Bengal.

c) : It has been proposed to allow a quantity of five lakh metric tonnes of onion for export during the financial year 2001-2002. The export price of onion is fixed on a monthly basis taking into consideration the market arrivals, the domestic and international prices of onion. The minimum export price of onion fixed for the month of April 2001 in respect of various destinations range from US$ 150 to US$ 300 CIF per metric tonne. The minimum export price for the southern varieties of onion range from US$ 300 to US$ 385 CIF per metric tonne.